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Item 3:

From: MOSCOW

To: CANBERRA

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To EPDM[1]

Your No.19.[a] We agree to sending ROK[11] with FED.[111] Telegraph when FED will be leaving. In maintaining contact with ZAJTAEV do not be too frank with him as he gave ROK a favourable character report [KHARAKTERISTIKA]. ROK's report [RAPORT] is unreliable. Its contents give an unfavourable picture of ROK. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs[MID] did not agree with the boss's [KHOZYAIN] proposal and proposed sending ROK away. Until ROK's departure cautiously but with close attention keep an eye on his behaviour, moods and contacts. Advise by telegraph of any information that comes in. In reply to your enquiry about ZOLOTOVICHINA[iv] we [H] have destroyed the information from VLADIMIR[v]. MASHAEV[vi], if you have no reason why you should not do so, you may use as trade-union organiser[PROFORG] without having recourse to signing him on [KONTRAKT-TaIYe].

No. 1828

VIKTOR[vii]

Distribution

[T.N. and Comments overleaf]

T.N.: [a] The message published as Item 2 of this report.

Comments: [i] Semen Ivanovich MAKAROV.

[ii] Georgij Mikhailovich MOROZOV.

[iii] Probably Aleksej Ivanovich OSIPOV.

[iv] TAJT: v

[iv] Antonina Semenovna ZOLOTUKHINA was described by the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA as the "Minister's Secretary".

[v] Unidentified cover-name.

[vi] Klimentij Aleksandrovich MASLYAEV was 3rd Secretary at the Soviet Legation.

[vii] Lt.-Gen. P.M. FITIN.

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